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1. AS A FOLLOWUP TO AMBASSADOR'S MEETING WITH THE FOREIGN MINISTER ON NOVEMBER 14, POLCOUNS BRIEFED ON NOVEMBER 20 DIRECTOR GENERAL OF POLITICAL DEPARTMENT OF MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS ON ANGOLAN SITUATION AND CUBAN CLANDESTINE MILITARY SUPPORT FOR THE MPLA. BRIEFING MATERIAL WAS BASED ON REFS A, B AND C.

2. MFA EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR ASSESSMENT OF SITUATION AND INFORMATION WITH RESPECT TO TERRITORIAL/POPULATION CONTROL. DIRECTOR GENERAL WAS ESPECIALLY INTERESTED IN EXHUNT OF CUBAN ACTIVITIES IN SUPPORT OF MPLA.

3. IN RESPONSE TO POLCOUNS' STATEMENT THAT OUR GOVERNMENT HOPED GOE WOULD REFRAIN FROM HASTY RECOGNITION OF MPLA AS GOVERNMENT OF ANGOLA, DIRECTOR GENERAL STATED HE WOULD BE BRIEFING THE SUBSECRETARY OF THE MINISTRY AND DOUBTED ANY DECISION WOULD BE MADE ON THE MATTER UNTIL THE SITUATION IN ANGOLA HAD NORMALIZED. HE ASKED THE EMBASSY UPDATE HIM ON ANGOLAN SITUATION SHOULD WE BE PROVIDED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

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